

REMARKS

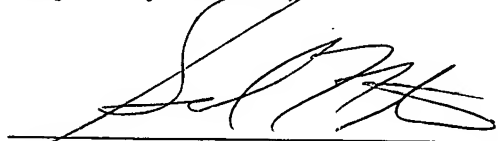
Claims 2-12, 14-23, and 25-38 are pending. Claims 2, 8, 14, 20, 25, and 34 have been amended and claims 1, 13, and 24 have been canceled. In addition, replacement drawings have been submitted to overcome the drawing objection.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested for the following reasons.

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claims 2-7, 10-12, 14-19, 22, 23, 25-33, and 36-38 would be considered allowable if re-written into independent form to recite the features of their base and intervening claims. Claims 2, 14, and 25 have been re-written in this manner, and claims 8, 20, and 34 have been amended to depend on these claims respectively. Applicant respectfully submits that these amendments are sufficient to overcome all the rejections of record. Withdrawal of these rejections and furtherance of the application to allowance is therefore respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with this application to Deposit Account No. 16-0607 and credit any excess fees to the same Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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Amendments to the Drawings

Replacement sheets have been submitted with this paper to overcome the drawing rejections.